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# PROTECT DRINKING WATER THREADED SINK FAUCETS

Common activities associated with water use can cause a hazard to your public drinking water. Events such as power outages and main breaks can create low pressure in the water system that can siphon water from private property back into the public water system.

SINK FAUCETS that attach to garden hoses are a cross-connection hazard. Surfside requires that a Reduced Pressure Backflow Assembly (RP) be installed at the meter. You may opt to remove the threads or replace the faucet.



Threaded faucets are often located at utility sinks, laundry sinks, and fish or clam cleaning sinks.

Surfside highly recommends installing vacuum breakers at all hose spigots. Vacuum breakers cost around \$7 and, when properly working, prevent water from being siphoned back into the water system.

Vacuum breakers do not guarantee protection but are commonly used as an extra measure of protection. Vacuum breakers do not replace testable backflow assemblies and air gaps. If your vacuum breaker is leaking it is time to repair or replace it.



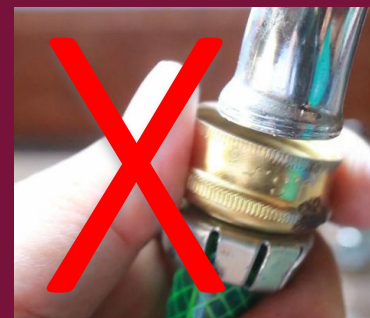
Please remember that a hose is a direct connection to your drinking water. Never leave a hose laying in anything you wouldn't want to drink! Members who leave hoses submerged may be required to install a Reduced Pressure Backflow Assembly at the meter.

Surfside Homeowners Association  
Cross-Connection Control Program



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**Never attach hoses to sink faucets.**



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